# **Higher Education Grants for Rhode Island**

March 31, 2015

## **Grants to Enhance STEM Programs**

## **Funding Source: Dominion**

## Deadline: May 05, 2015

Grants up to \$10,000 fund initiatives that provide K-12 educators with the tools they need to revitalize math and science programs and encourage the development of new programs through the study of energy or the environment. Successful grant proposals will:

- Support environmental education or the exploration of energy
- Represent innovative and promising ideas
- Teach math and/or science skills
- Reach a significant number of students
- Demonstrate broad-based community support

Rhode Island geographic eligibility: Cranston, East Providence, North Providence, Providence, and Pawtucket.

## See the full text of this grant

# **Grants for Internationalizing Teacher Preparation**

## **Funding Source: Longview Foundation**

Deadline: June 05, 2015

Grants support efforts to expand teachers' global knowledge and skills. Preference will be given to those teacher preparation institutions that are connected to a state or citywide systemic effort in order to have a greater impact and to those using online courses for pre-service education or professional development. Proposed projects are reviewed for:

- Partnerships & collaborative activities between institutions to further ensure impact and sustainability
- Integration of global dimensions into pre-service teacher education, both in pedagogy & subject matter
- The number of teacher preparation candidates reached
- Assess the impact of strategies on teachers' ability to integrate global knowledge & skills into practice
- Financial support for continuation of activities beyond the grant period to assure sustainability
- Participation of both the College of Education and the College Arts and Sciences
- Clear commitments to work with the relevant state education agency and/or local school districts
- Dissemination plans to encourage replication at other institutions

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# Grants for the Advancement of the Discipline of Sociology

Funding Source: The American Sociological Association

Deadlines: June 15, 2015 and December 15, 2015

Grants from the Fund for the Advancement of the Discipline (FAD), supported by the American Sociological Association through a matching grant from the National Science Foundation, nurture the development of scientific knowledge by funding small, groundbreaking research initiatives and other important scientific research activities such as conferences. The FAD award is intended to provide opportunities for substantive and methodological breakthroughs, broaden the dissemination of scientific knowledge, and provide leverage for acquisition of additional research funds.

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# **Grants for Literacy & Education, Humanitarian Efforts, and Ethics & Personal Development**

## Funding Source: Richard Davoud Donchian Foundation

### Deadline: Ongoing

Grants up to \$50,000 for institutions primarily in the Northeast focus on three key areas.

- Literacy & Education: To rethink and reconfigure curriculum, pedagogy, and the other academic resources in schools and communities that work toward long-term improvement in all aspects of education, but with an emphasis on literacy.
- Humanitarian Efforts: To improve the lives and spirits of individuals and communities facing pressing circumstances, etc., including efforts to address children's health.
- Ethics & Personal Development: To enhance the moral, ethical, spiritual and physical wellbeing and progress of mankind, specifically to raise the standards of ethical excellence in society, moral character in the community, faith in the family, integrity in business and grassroots leadership in needy communities.

Of particular interest are organizations that promote partnerships and collaborative efforts among multiple groups and organizations. Pilot projects are welcome.

## See the full text of this grant

# **Grants for Environmental Stewardship Initiatives**

## **Funding Source: Wallace Genetic Foundation**

## Deadline: Ongoing

Grants ranging from approximately \$25,000 to \$40,000 support innovative, sustainable ideas to improve the environment in the U.S. and globally. The purpose of these grants is to encourage new solutions that will have long-term benefits in the areas of: sustainable agriculture, farmland preservation, conservation of natural resources, biodiversity protection, reduction of environmental toxins, and global climate issues.

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# **Grants for the Development of Educational Online Interactive Courses**

## **Funding Source: Versal Foundation**

## Deadline: Ongoing

Grants from \$1,000 to \$25,000 support the development of online, impactful interactive courses that 1) provide individuals worldwide with core knowledge or 2) are transformative courses that teach people skills. Courses must be at least one hour in length and be made available online for free, forever. Courses providing core knowledge must focus on the following areas: basic literacy, arithmetic, science, and related topics. Transformative courses are those that will have a profound potential for improving people's lives, "courses for the betterment of humankind". An example would be teaching villagers how build a clean water system in impoverished desert regions with locally available materials.

### See the full text of this grant

## Grants to Help Animals & the Disadvantaged and to Improve Education

## Funding Source: Laura J. Niles Foundation

### Deadline: Ongoing

Grants fund programs that address long-term solutions to the causes of problems in four target areas.

- Animals: specific medical research, animal adoption, search and rescue, assistance dogs, and similar fields of interest.
- Education: primary, secondary and higher education, and also special education, literacy and ethics.
- Economic Self-Sufficiency: encouragement and support of entrepreneurialism, mentoring, and job training initiatives.
- Disadvantaged Individuals: assisting the underprivileged and individuals with disabilities.

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# **Grants for Education, Civic, and Environmental Programs**

### **Funding Source: The Xerox Foundation**

### Deadline: Ongoing

Grants support broad-based programs and services that focus on major social problems in the areas of education, employability, cultural affairs, environment, and information technology. The Xerox Foundation also makes grants to colleges and universities that prepare men and women for careers in business, science, government, and general education. The goals of this second category of grants are to further advance knowledge in science and technology, and to enhance learning opportunities for minorities and the disadvantaged.

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